

**CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
January 14, 2021**

The Connecticut State Dental Commission held a meeting by video conference on January 14, 2021.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Katz, DMD, Chairman
Sarita Arteaga, DMD
Monica Cipes, DMD
Deborah Dodenhoff, RN
Mark Longobardi, DMD
Anatoliy Ravin, DDS
Robert Zager

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Steven Reiss, DDS
Barbara Ulrich

Dr. Katz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. All participants were present via the Microsoft TEAMS application.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the December 16, 2020 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved on a motion by Ms. Dodenhoff seconded by Dr. Ravin.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. License Reinstatement Application – Donald Weeks, DMD

Stephen Carragher, Public Health Services Manager, Department of Public Health presented a license reinstatement application for Donald Weeks, DMD.

Dr. Ravin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Katz to recommend that the Department of Public Health reinstate Dr. Weeks' license

Following discussion the motion was amended by Dr Katz, seconded by Dr. Ravin, to recommend license reinstatement without the need for any specific requirements to be completed. The motion passed with all in favor except Ms. Dodenhoff who was opposed.

B. Ararn Agadjanian, D.D.S.; Petition No. 2018-351

David Tiles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a motion to withdraw the Statement of Charges in this matter based on respondent having agreed to not to renew or reinstate his license. Dr Katz made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ravin, to grant the motion to withdraw the Statement of Charges. The passed unanimously.

C. Update - Commission on Dental Competency Assessments

David Perkins, DMD provided an update of examinations administered by the Commission on Dental Competency Assessments.

Dr. Cipes left the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

D. Declaratory Ruling - Digital Dental Impressions

Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson was present to provide counsel to the Commission regarding this matter

The Commission considered the following questions:

May licensed dental hygienists in the State of Connecticut take digital impressions of the teeth for the purpose of fabricating crowns, bridges and implants or for orthodontic treatments under General Statutes § 20-126f?

May licensed dentists in the State of Connecticut delegate to dental assistants and expanded function dental assistants the taking of digital impressions of the teeth for the purpose of fabricating crowns, bridges or implants or for orthodontic treatments under General Statutes § 20-112a?

Following discussion Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Zager, that the Commission take no action regarding these questions. The motion passed unanimously.

III. ADJOURN

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Katz, DMD - Chairman
Connecticut State Dental Commission